

## **IN THE CLAIMS**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

### **Listing of Claims**

Claims 1 to 21 (canceled).

Claim 22 (previously presented): A cutting and nipping device for cutting and nipping a web, comprising:

- a first cutting cylinder having a first segmented cutting blade with axially spaced first blade edges and having first blade sides and a first cutting cylinder nipping surface extending circumferentially about the first cutting cylinder from the first blade sides; and

- a first anvil cylinder having a first anvil cylinder nipping surface extending circumferentially about the first anvil cylinder;

- the first cutting cylinder nipping surface and the first anvil cylinder nipping surface providing a first nip for the web about the first segmented cutting blade,

- the first blade edges extending radially beyond the first cutting cylinder nipping surface when the first blade edges are apart from the first anvil cylinder.

Claim 23 (previously presented): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 22 wherein the first cutting cylinder nipping surface has a urethane outer coating.

Claim 24 (previously presented): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 22 wherein the first anvil cylinder nipping surface has a urethane outer coating.

Claim 25 (currently amended): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 24 wherein the ~~continuous~~ urethane outer coating is continuous.

Claim 26 (previously presented): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 22 wherein the first cutting cylinder includes a two-part metallic hub.

Claim 27 (previously presented): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 26 wherein the first cutting cylinder nipping surface has a urethane outer coating, and wherein the urethane outer coating is bonded to the outer surface of the hub.

Claim 28 (previously presented): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 22 wherein the first anvil cylinder includes a two-part metallic hub.

Claim 29 (previously presented): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 28 wherein the first cutting cylinder nipping surface has a urethane outer coating, and wherein the urethane outer coating is bonded to the outer surface of the hub.

Claim 30 (previously presented): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 22 wherein the first cutting cylinder has a second segmented cutting blade spaced 180 degrees apart from the first segmented cutting blade.

Claims 31 to 32 (canceled).

Claim 33 (previously presented): A cutter for a web printing press, comprising:

a first cutting and nipping device for partially cutting and nipping a web, the first cutting and nipping device having:

a first cutting cylinder, the first cutting cylinder having a first segmented cutting blade with axially spaced first blade edges and having first blade sides and a first cutting cylinder nipping surface extending circumferentially about the first cutting cylinder from the first blade sides; and

a first anvil cylinder, the first anvil cylinder having a first anvil cylinder nipping surface extending circumferentially about the first anvil cylinder;

the first cutting cylinder nipping surface and the first anvil cylinder nipping surface providing a first nip for web about the first segmented cutting blade.

Claim 34 (previously presented): The cutter as recited in claim 33 wherein the first cutting cylinder nipping surface has a urethane outer coating.

Claim 35 (previously presented): The cutter as recited in claim 33 wherein the first anvil cylinder nipping surface has a urethane outer coating.

Claim 36 (currently amended): The cutter as recited in claim 33, further comprising:  
a second cutting and nipping device for cutting and nipping the web, the [[a]] second cutting and nipping device having:

a second cutting cylinder, the a second cutting cylinder having a second segmented cutting blade with axially spaced second blade edges and a second cutting cylinder nipping surface extending circumferentially about the second cutting cylinder from the second blade edges; and

a second anvil cylinder, the second anvil cylinder having a second anvil cylinder nipping surface extending circumferentially about the second anvil cylinder;

the second cutting cylinder nipping surface and the second anvil cylinder nipping surface providing a second nip for the web about the second segmented cutting blade.

Claim 37 (previously presented): The cutter as recited in claim 36 wherein the second cutting cylinder nipping surface has a urethane outer coating.

Claim 38 (previously presented): The cutter as recited in claim 36 wherein the second anvil cylinder nipping surface has a urethane outer coating.

Claim 39 (canceled).

Claim 40 (previously presented): A cutting and nipping device for cutting and nipping a web, comprising:

a first cutting cylinder having a first segmented cutting blade with axially spaced first blade edges and first blade sides and a first cutting cylinder nipping surface extending circumferentially about the first cutting cylinder from the first blade sides; and

a first anvil cylinder having a first anvil cylinder nipping surface extending circumferentially about the first anvil cylinder;

the first cutting cylinder nipping surface and the first anvil cylinder nipping surface providing a first nip for the web about the first segmented cutting blade, the first cutting cylinder nipping surface being urethane.